CLAIM AMENDMENTS

Amend claims: 1-10

1. (Currently Amended) A sulphur ~~Sulphur~~ pellet comprising an H_2S-suppressant[[,]] and elemental sulphur ~~comprising~~ in the range of from 60 to 100 wt%, ~~elemental sulphur,~~ based on the total weight of the sulphur pellet.

2. (Currently Amended) The sulphur ~~Sulphur~~ pellet according to claim 1, comprising elemental sulphur in the range of from 75 to 100 wt%, ~~elemental sulphur, preferably from 90 to 100 wt% of elemental sulphur,~~ based on the total weight of the sulfur pellet.

3. (Currently Amended) The sulphur ~~Sulphur~~ pellet according to claim 1 ~~or 2~~, wherein the H_2S-suppressant is one or more compounds selected from the class of free radical inhibitors and redox catalysts.

4. (Currently Amended) The sulphur ~~Sulphur~~ pellet according to ~~any one of~~ claims ~~1~~ 1 ~~to~~ ~~3~~, wherein the H_2S-suppressant is selected from the group consisting of iodine, amine compounds, copper salts, copper oxides, iron salts, iron oxides, cobalt salts and cobalt oxides.

5. (Currently Amended) The sulphur ~~Sulphur~~ pellet according to claim 4, wherein the iron salts ~~are~~ is an iron chloride compounds~~, preferably~~ selected from the group consisting of ferric chloride, hydrated ferric chloride, ferrous chloride and hydrated ferrous chloride.

6. (Currently Amended) The sulphur ~~Sulphur~~ pellet according to ~~any one of claims 1 to~~ claim 5, wherein the ~~comprising~~ H_2S-suppressant is present in the sulphur pellet in an amounts in the range of from 0.02% to 10% (w/w)~~, preferably from 0.05% and 6.5%, more preferably between 0.1% to 2.0%,~~ based on the total weight of the sulphur pellet.

7. (Currently Amended) A process for the manufacture of sulphur pellets comprising at least one H_2S-suppressant, the process comprising the steps of:

(a) mixing elemental sulphur[[,]] and one or more H_2S-suppressants ~~and optionally a filler~~ in a mixing unit to obtain a mixture; and

(b) shaping ~~and/or pelletising~~ the mixture ~~obtained in step (a)~~ in a pelletising unit to obtain an H_2S-suppressant-comprising sulphur pellets.

8. (Currently Amended) The ~~A~~ process as claimed in claim 7, wherein the elemental sulphur is introduced in mixing step (a) as molten sulphur[[,]] with the temperature of the mixture ~~preferably~~ being kept above 113 °C.

9. (Currently Amended) The ~~A~~ process as claimed in claim ~~7 or~~ 8, wherein the one or more H_2S-suppressant is ~~one or more compounds~~ selected from the class of free radical inhibitors and redox catalysts.

10. (Currently Amended) A process to manufacture a sulphur-comprising asphalt paving mixture, the process comprising the steps of:

(i) preheating bitumen at a temperature of between 140 and 180 °C to provide a hot bitumen;

(ii) preheating aggregate at a temperature of between 140 and 180 °C to provide a hot bitumen;

(iii) mixing the hot bitumen with the hot aggregate in a mixing unit,

wherein a sulphur pellets comprising an H_2S-suppressant and elemental sulphur in the range of from 60 to 100 wt% elemental sulphur, based on the total weight of the sulphur pellet ~~according to any one of claims 1 to 6 are~~ is added in at least one of the steps (i), (ii) or (iii), ~~preferably in step (iii)~~.